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SUBJECT: UN HABITAT CONFERENCE - REGIONAL MEETINGS: ECE
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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT US DEL MAY WISH TO INCLUDE IN REMARKS
TO REGIONAL MEETING, IF CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE.

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2. IN CONCLUDING, I AM OBLIGED TO REFER TO A SERIOUS MATTER WHICH EMERGED AT THE REGIONAL MEETINGS IN TEHRAN AND CAIRO. BOTH MEETINGS ADOPTED RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH WOULD BAR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE HABITAT CONFERENCE. I SHOULD LIKE TO MAKE CLEAR THAT THE UNITED STATES IS IRREVOCABLY COMMITTED TO THE POSITION OF PRINCIPLE THAT NO MEMBER OF THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM A CONFERENCE WHICH IS OTHERWISE OPEN THE ALL MEMBERS. WE BELIEVE THAT IT WAS INAPPROPRIATE FOR THE REGIONAL MEETINGS AND THAT IT WOULD BE EQUALLY INAPPROPRIATE FOR THE HABITAT CONFERENCE TO DECIDE SUCH A FUNDAMENTAL CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTION.

3. SHOULD ANY SUCH RECOMMENDATION BE SERIOUSLY ENTERTAINED BY THE CONFERENCE, WE - AND WE ASSUME OTHER LIKE-MINDED NATIONS - WOULD FIND OURSELVES INEVITABLY IN THE POSITION OF RE-EXAMINING OUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE CONFERENCE.

4. WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THIS MEETING SHOULD EXPRESS ITS RESPECT FOR THE UNITED NATIONS AND ITS COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT PARTICIPATION IN THE HABITAT CONFERENCE SHOULD BE OPEN TO ALL UN MEMBERS. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT THIS EXPRESSION BE EMBODIED IN A RECOMMENDATION FROM THIS MEETING TO SECRETARY-GENERAL PENALOSA. INGERSOLL

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